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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
 YASUTAKA ITO ET AL. : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION
 SERIAL NO: 10/019,448 :
 FILED: 31 December 2001 :
 FOR: CERAMIC HEATER

CORRECTED PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

This amendment replaces the Preliminary Amendment filed December 31, 2001.

Prior to a first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 3-5 to read as follows:¹

3. (Amended) The ceramic heater to claim 1,
 wherein said ceramic substrate is carbide ceramic or a nitride ceramic.
4. (Amended) The ceramic heater according to claim 1,
 wherein the thickness of said ceramic substrate is 25 mm or less.
5. (Amended) The ceramic substrate according to claim 1,
 wherein the diameter of said ceramic substrate exceeds 150 mm.

¹A marked-up copy of all the presently submitted amendments is attached hereto.

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